

AMENDMENT**IN THE CLAIMS:**

1. (Previously Presented) A massage apparatus for massaging a human body, comprising:

a housing;

a motor associated with said housing;

a drive cable operatively connected to said motor;

a massage head driven by said motor through said cable, said motor imparting mechanical oscillations to said massage head;

an applicator removably mounted to said massage head for transferring the mechanical oscillations to the body, said applicator further having a cavity formed in an end surface of the applicator for permitting skin to be drawn inwardly of the cavity and a connection tube formed in said applicator, said tube communicating with said cavity, said connection tube capable of applying at least a partial vacuum to the cavity so as to draw and stretch fibrous tissue of the human body within the cavity, said connection tube being removable with said applicator and adapted to pass contaminants from the cavity, the flow from the cavity to the connection tube allowing substantially all of the contaminants to be transmitted substantially unimpeded from the cavity to the connection tube;

a vacuum pump associated with said housing;

a connection between said vacuum pump and said applicator to impart at least ~~a~~ the partial vacuum in the cavity of the applicator so that placement of the head on a human body results in the application of a force combination of mechanical oscillation and suction, said connection including a suction line carried externally of said drive cable, said suction line having a first end operatively connected to said vacuum pump and a second end operatively attached to

said connector tube, said connection tube drawing contaminants from the cavity through said connection tube; and

at least one collection vial operatively associated with the vacuum line for removing the contaminants transmitted through the vacuum line.

2. (Previously Presented) The massage apparatus of claim 1 further including a speed control associated with said housing for controlling the speed of the motor.

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 3 1 further including a second vial for collecting airborne contaminants operatively associated in said vacuum line, the second vial placed in series connection with the at least one vial.

5. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 4 wherein said vials are removably mounted to the apparatus.

6. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1 further including a control device to permit suction and vibration to be used independently of one another.

7. (Original) The apparatus of claim 6 wherein said applicator is removably mounted to said massage head.

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 7 wherein said vacuum connection is attached to said applicator by quick connect device.

10-14. (Cancelled.)

15. (Previously Presented) A therapy massage device comprising:

a housing;

a motor mounted to the housing;

a vacuum pump mounted to the housing;

a drive cable operatively connected to the motor;

a massage head operatively driven by the cable;

an applicator removably mounted to the massage head, said applicator having a concave shaped cavity formed in an end surface of it, and a connection tube attached to said applicator head in operative communication with the cavity, said connection tube capable of applying at least a partial vacuum to the cavity so as to draw and stretch fibrous tissue within substantially the entire cavity, the cavity having a size about the size of the end surface, the flow from the cavity to the connection tube allowing substantially all of the contaminants to be transmitted substantially unimpeded from the cavity to the connection tube;

a vacuum line connected between the connection tube of the applicator and the vacuum pump, said vacuum line drawing contaminants from the cavity through said connection tube;

a control system mounted to the housing which is selectively operated to provide suction and vibration to the body through the applicator head; and

at least one collection vial operatively associated with the vacuum line for removing the contaminants transmitted through the vacuum line.

16. (Original) The device of claim 15 wherein said control system includes a control for varying the speed of the motor.

17. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 16 further including at least one filter disposed within the collection vial that is operatively associated with the vacuum line.

18. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 17 wherein said filter is removable from the collection vial.

19. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 18 further including a second vial, connected in series with the first vial, and containing a second filter operatively associated with the vacuum line.

20. (Cancelled)

21. (Previously Presented) A massage apparatus for massaging a human body comprising:
a housing;
a motor associated with said housing;
a drive cable operatively connected to said motor;
a massage head driven by said motor through said cable, said motor imparting mechanical oscillations to said massage head;

an applicator removably mounted to said massage head for transferring the mechanical oscillations to the body, said applicator further having a cavity formed in an end surface of the applicator for permitting skin to be drawn inwardly of the cavity and a connection tube formed in said applicator, said tube communicating with said cavity;

a vacuum pump associated with said housing;

a connection between said vacuum pump and said applicator to impart at least a partial vacuum in the cavity of the applicator so that placement of the head on a human body results in the application of a force combination of mechanical oscillation and suction, said connection including a suction line carried externally of said drive cable, said suction line having a first end operatively connected to said vacuum pump and a second end operatively attached to said connector tube, the flow from the cavity to the connection tube allowing substantially all of the contaminants to be transmitted substantially unimpeded from the cavity to the connection tube;
and

a first collection vial operatively associated with the vacuum line for removing contaminants transmitted from the vacuum line and a second vial placed in series with the first vial for removing contaminants transmitted from the vacuum line.

22. (New) A massage apparatus for massaging a human body, comprising:

a housing;

a motor associated with said housing;

a drive cable operatively connected to said motor;

a massage head driven by said motor through said cable, said motor imparting mechanical oscillations to said massage head;

an applicator removably mounted to said massage head for transferring the mechanical oscillations to the body, said applicator further having a cavity formed in an end surface of the applicator for permitting skin to be drawn inwardly of the cavity and a connection tube formed in said applicator, said tube communicating with said cavity, said connection tube capable of applying at least a partial vacuum to the cavity so as to draw and stretch fibrous tissue of the human body within the cavity, said connection tube being removable with said applicator and adapted to pass contaminants from the cavity, the flow from the cavity to the connection tube being free of any structure that would prevent allowing the contaminants to be transmitted unimpeded from the cavity to the connection tube;

a vacuum pump associated with said housing;

a connection between said vacuum pump and said applicator to impart at least the partial vacuum in the cavity of the applicator so that placement of the head on a human body results in the application of a force combination of mechanical oscillation and suction, said connection including a suction line carried externally of said drive cable, said suction line having a first end

operatively connected to said vacuum pump and a second end operatively attached to said connector tube, said connection tube drawing contaminants from the cavity through said connection tube; and

at least one collection vial operatively associated with the vacuum line for removing the contaminants transmitted through the vacuum line.